THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Sanctioning of gas pipeline from Bombay to West Bengal, Bihar and Orissa

323. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to sanction gas pipeline from Bombay to West Bengal, Bihar and Orissa; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of the projected availability of gas from the Western offshore and the allocations already made, no further allocations from this source are being considered.

Laying of Gas pipeline from Tripura and Assam to West Bengal

324. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to lay natural gas pipeline from Tripura and Assam to West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PEROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA). (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The natural gas projected to be available in Tripura has been proposed to be utilised within Tripura itself.

Running of Bokaro-Alleppey Express from Howrah

325. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to run the Bokaro-Alleppey Steel City Express from Howrah which is now running between Bokaro and Alleppey is under Govt's consideration

(b) if so, by when and the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) This train has been provided to serve Bokaro Steel City. Its extension to Howrah will deprive this facility to passengers of Bokaro.

Introluction of single Long distance between Kharagpur and Bhadrak

326. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce more passenger trains between Kharagpur and Bhadrak of South Eastern Railway, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) by when these are likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Introduction of a single Long distance passenger train between Howrah and Delhi

327. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of